

COVID-19 Vaccines

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Important Notice



Free of charge to anyone eligible

The costs of vaccination is free for all Japanese citizens and all eligible foreign residents in Japan. The municipality in which you reside will send you a "Vaccination voucher" and a "COVID-19 vaccine notification"*. Vaccines will be supplied gradually, and the eligibility are prioritized based on age and other factors. The vaccine is administered only with the recipient's consent.

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接種を受ける方へ

- シールは剥がさずに、台紙ごと接種場所へお持ちください。
- 右側の予防接種済証は接種が終わった後も大切に保管してください。

(Image: sample of vaccination voucher)

Call Center (Toll Free)

■ **MHLW Call Center: [0120-761-770](tel:0120-761-770)** (Every day including weekends and holidays)

-English, Chinese, Korean, Portuguese and Spanish: 9:00-21:00 / Thai: 9:00-18:00 / Vietnamese: 10:00-19:00

■ **FRESC Help Desk: [0120-76-2029](tel:0120-76-2029)** (Monday-Friday 9:00-17:00) [PDF](#)

-Vietnamese, Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, Nepali, Thai, Indonesian, Filipino, Myanmar, Khmer(Cambodian), Mongolian, French, Sinhala, Urdu, Bengali

Multilingual Information

[Translations of Notifications and Pre vaccination Screening on Multilingual](#)

Vaccination certificate for/from overseas

【Vaccination certificate for overseas】

The vaccination certificate is issued to those who need to present it at international travel occasions.

[Learn more](#)

【Vaccination certificate from overseas】

List of countries and regions that issue vaccination certificates recognized as valid by Japan. [Learn more](#)

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How to get vaccinated

Receive a "Vaccination voucher" and a "COVID-19 vaccine notification"

You will receive a "Vaccination voucher" and a "COVID-19 vaccine notification" from the municipalities. Vaccines will be supplied gradually, and the eligibility are prioritized based on age and other factors.

Find available medical institutions and vaccination sites

You may find a medical institution or vaccination site for your COVID-19 vaccine from municipal website, newsletters and ["Vaccine Navi"](#) web. Please choose your city of residence, and you can find a

Make a reservation for the first dose by phone or online

You will be able to make a reservation for your first vaccination dose by phone or online. [“Vaccine Navi”](#) web will help you to find the phone number and the online reservation sites. Please check the availability before making a reservation. Some municipalities and medical institutions might give you an opportunity to schedule for both the first and the second doses at the first contact.

Visit the vaccination site you reserved

Please show your vaccination voucher (without detaching any sticker), and your ID (residence card, driver's license, or health insurance card etc.) at the reception. As you will have the injection to your shoulder muscle, please wear a T-shirt or other clothes that you can show your shoulder easily. [Screening questionnaire is available in Japanese](#). If you are more comfortable with other languages, please refer to the [“translations in 17 languages”](#) and check corresponding items in the Japanese form. It is recommended to fill the questionnaire before you visit the vaccination site if possible.

Make a reservation for the second dose

Follow the same reservation process as you did for the first dose. (Some medical institutions may provide reservations for the first and the second doses at the first contact.) It is important that you receive two doses of your COVID-19 vaccine. The interval should be at least three weeks between the two doses if you receive the COVID-19 Pfizer [Comirnaty] vaccine; at least four weeks between the two doses if you receive the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. If you had AstraZeneca vaccine, the interval between two doses is usually 4-12 weeks. However, in order to ensure maximum efficacy, it is best to leave at least eight weeks. Please get the second vaccination as soon as possible if you have exceeded the period.

Booster Shots (3rd Dose)

[Guide for who and how to receive the booster shots.](#)

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Search Vaccination Sites

How to find your local vaccination site

Find the Vaccination site from [“Vaccine Navi”](#) web in Japanese, Yasashii-Nihongo, English and Chinese

About Vaccines

Available Vaccines in Japan

-Pfizer Inc. [※Learn more](#)

Vaccine name: Comirnaty

Pharmaceutical approval: February 14, 2021

Vaccine type: mRNA vaccine

Number of times to administer: twice

Vaccination interval: 21 days

-Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited/Moderna Inc. [※Learn more](#)

Vaccine name: Moderna COVID-19 vaccine

Pharmaceutical approval: May 21, 2021

Vaccine type: mRNA vaccine

Number of times to administer: twice

Vaccination interval: 28 days

-AstraZeneca PLC [※Learn more](#)

Vaccine name: Vaxzevria

Pharmaceutical approval: May 21, 2021

Vaccine type: viral vector vaccine

Number of times to administer: twice

Vaccination interval: 28~84 days (56-84 days for maximum efficacy)

[Click here for COVID-19 vaccination instruction of Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca in other languages](#)

The Relief System for Injury to Health with Vaccination

Vaccinations may cause health problems (illness or disability). Although this is extremely rare, the risk cannot be eliminated, and a relief system has been established for this reason. In the case of health damage as a result of the vaccine from the COVID-19 vaccine, relief (medical expenses, disability pension benefits, etc.) is also available under the Immunization Act. Please consult with the municipality where your residence is located regarding the procedures required for application.

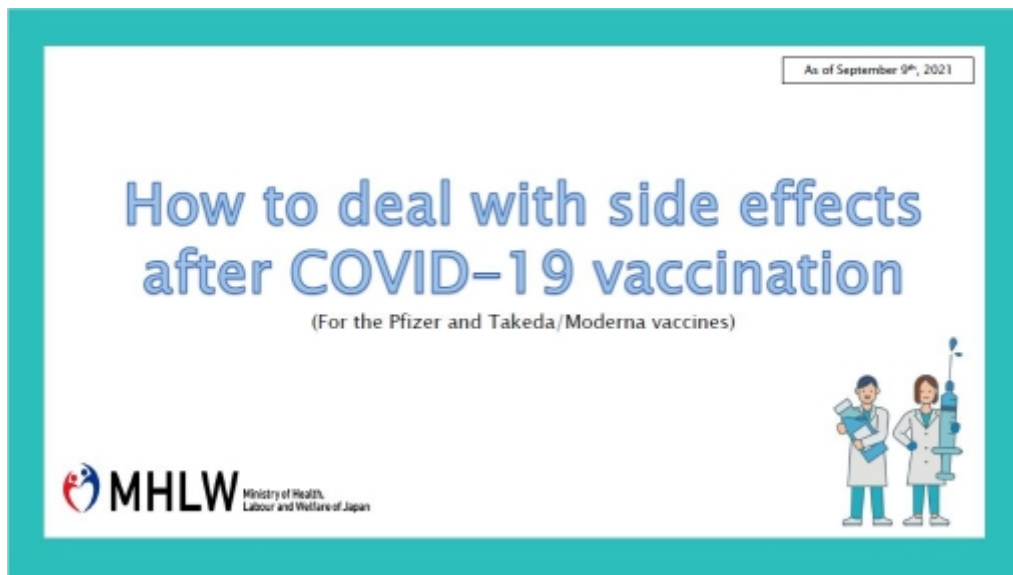
Consent to vaccination

Although we encourage all citizens to receive the COVID-19 vaccination, it is not compulsory or mandatory. Vaccination will be given only with the consent of the person to be vaccinated after the information provided. Please get vaccinated of your own decision, understanding both the effectiveness in preventing infectious diseases and the risk of side effects. No vaccination will be given without consent. Please do not force anyone in your workplace or those who around you to be vaccinated, and do not discriminate against those who have not been vaccinated.

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